

Our School Uniform



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As you are aware at St. Joseph's we encourage our pupils to wear school uniform for a number of reasons:

- Instils a sense of pride in the school and reinforces our high expectations of young people
- Gives children a sense of identity as a St Joseph's Academy pupil
- Prevents competition between pupils with designer clothes and reduces pressure on parents & carers to purchase expensive clothing
- Helps promote a sense of equity amongst young people and reduce bullying
- Helps with security in and around the school and reduces truancy
- Enhances the reputation of the school in the community
- Helps prepare children for the expectations and routines of further study and the world of work

Our parents & carers have always been very supportive of our high expectations around uniform and we thank you for your continued support.



- Our uniform consists of;
- **A Black Blazer with school badge**
- **A Black skirt or smart trousers (not leggings, jeans or tracksuit bottoms)**
- **A White shirt (not polo shirt or a black shirt)**
- **School tie – which should be visible at all times**
- **A plain black jumper or cardigan (without logos, designs or any visible branding)**
- **Plain black shoes (not those with coloured or white soles or patterns)**
- ***All outdoor jackets and coats (not including school blazer) must be removed on entering the school building***





The following items are not permitted as part of our school uniform;

Leggings

Jeans

Jogging/ tracksuit bottoms

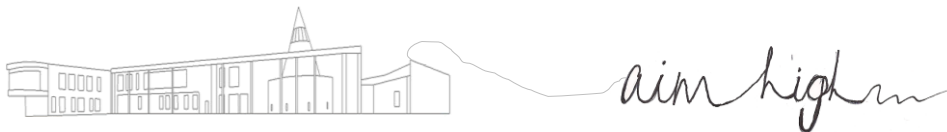
Grey trouser/ skirt/ jumpers

Black shirts

White/ coloured shoes or trainers

Branded jumpers or other items

Hoodies



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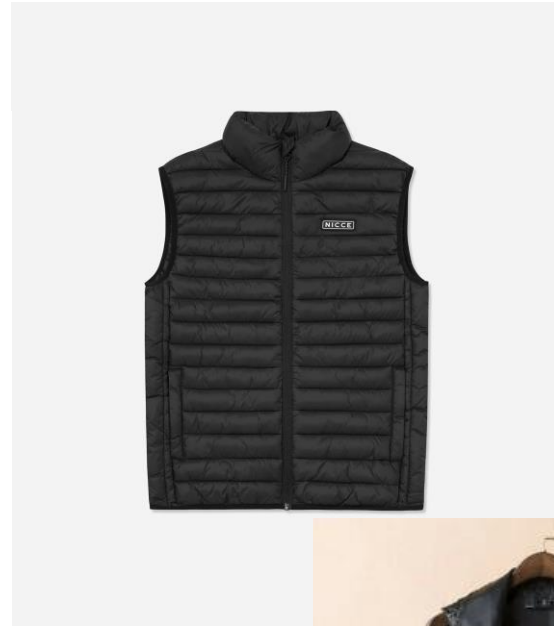
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Remember all coats, jackets and outdoor items should be removed inside the school building



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PE Kit at St Joseph's Academy

Below are the key messages on what is appropriate P.E. kit.

Short sleeved or long-sleeved T-Shirt (No vests, no crop tops, no football tops)

Shorts (appropriate length)

Tracksuit bottoms or jogging bottoms (No jeans or school trousers)

Sports leggings

Trainers (no school shoes, school boots)

Moulded shoes/boots for outdoor on astro if you have any.

Waterproof jacket and bottoms

Change of **socks**

Pupils **must** bring a **change of kit** (top, bottoms and footwear). When outdoors pupils are permitted wear outdoor jackets/hoodies.

Pupils **must** enter and leave the P.E. department in uniform (if you have P.E. period 1 you must still arrive in school wearing your school uniform)

Injured or unwell

From time to time pupils are injured or ill and are unable to take part in P.E. However, this **must** be supported by a signed parental note. However, even if injured or ill, pupils **must change** and take part in the lesson in some capacity (setting up, scoring, refereeing, timing).

Forgetting Kit

Pupils are **expected** to bring full PE kit on each day they have P.E. If pupils forget kit, they are **expected** to borrow **clean, laundered kit** and return it at the end of the lesson.

Refusing to borrow kit will be dealt with seriously:

This will result in a referral to the Principal Teacher and parents/carers will be informed.

Forgetting P.E. kit again will result in a referral to your Year Head (DHT).



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Important points

- Clothing grants are available to parents & carers to help with the cost of uniform
- <https://www.east-ayrshire.gov.uk/CouncilAndGovernment/Benefits/Benefits-EducationAndSchool/Clothing-grants-and-free-school-meals/Clothing-grants-and-free-school-meals.aspx>
- School ties can be purchased from the school office or school uniform shop
- Pastoral Care have stock of some uniform items or can help if you need uniform short term/ long term – please contact child's your pastoral care teacher if needed

Andrew House – Miss Cathie

Margaret House – Mrs Kelly

Columba House – Mrs Parker

